

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO OUR READERS

Anglican Church Children Entertained to Xmas. Tree

The fun waxed fast and furious in George Geberts vacant store on Friday evening last, when the children, now numbering forty, condescended with the Church Sunday School held their annual Christmas Entertainment. Two trees which were necessary to hold the good things provided for them by Santa Claus, were beautifully decorated by H. S. Thompson and Mr. Diggle. Mr. Llew. Owen made a most admirable Santa Claus and succeeded in bringing great joy to the hearts of the children who were amazed to think that Santa Claus knew so much about them and their doings. Commencing with the usual Christmas cheer, the children were regaled with the good things pertaining to the festive season. Then followed a short program, prepared for the benefit of parents to prevent Mr. E. A. Dyer made a most genial chairman and the following took part:

Song: "The Dream Man" Elsie and Bonnie Bonner.
Recitation: "The Christmas Stocking" May McNutt.
Quartette: "Old Santa" Doris Bramley, May and Violet Bennett and Frances Lee.
Recitation: "The true that saved the town" Elsie Bonner.
Song: "Canada" Violet Bonner.
Recitation: "A Christmas Acrostic" Pearl Anderson.
The united Sunday school also sang Carols and Christmas hymns Mrs. Murdoch accompanying on the organ. Then there came the distribution of presents in which Santa was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Redin and Mrs. Johnson.

The latter part of the evening was spent in playing games, and a very tired but happy company of children trooped home at the sound of the curfew.

Mr. W. McKenna spent the New Years in Calgary.

Word has been received by his friends of the arrival in Antigonish of N. T. Purcell.

Roman Catholic services will be conducted at the Gen Theatre Sunday next by Father Burke, Medicine Hat.

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Notice of Creditors

In the estate of John Hunsbuckler, farmer, late of the town of Bassano, Alberta deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the late John Hunsbuckler, who died on the 19th day of June A. D. 1913, are required to send to the Trust and Guarantee Company, Limited on or before the 20th day of January 1914 a full statement of their claims and of any securities held by them, duly verified, and that after that date the said Company will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased according to the claims of the creditors, and that any claimant who fails to do so will be barred from the claims of which he is entitled.

Just to instance the rush. On the day before Christmas Eve, seventy-five dollars worth of stamps were handed out, giving the work involved when the mass of postage passed through the office on the heels of a multitude of letters and parcels.

The Trust and Guarantee Co. Ltd., Calgary, Alberta.
H. A. Howard, Manager.
Barnes and Mavor,
Solicitors for the said Company.

Special to those interested in our Piano Contest

Until Jan. 8th. we will give votes at the rate of 1000 with each 28c. purchase of Calendars. Buy two or three and help your favorite contestant.

The REXALL Store, The Best Drug Store

Board of Trade to Hold Re-organization Meeting Friday Night

Secretary Bond Issues Public Notice to That Effect. Town Hall will be Venue and Everyone Urged to Attend

A meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Friday January 2nd 1914 at 8 p.m. in the Town Hall Bassano, for the nomination of officers for 1914. It being the popular desire that the Board be re-organized and the year started in harmony. Every citizen interested in the welfare of Bassano is invited to attend.

Indications that a good live Board of Trade will be formed for the coming year, are numerous.

There is plenty of enthusiasm abroad, and with a general re-organization on sound lines, there should be a lengthy membership roll.

Acting on the ground that a general re-organization was popularly wanted, the secretary issued the notice given above, and it is to be sincerely hoped that there will be no letdown, and that the Town Hall will be packed to its utmost capacity on the night of the meeting.

In respect to the routine of the meeting Friday night, Mr. Lorne Webster, vice-president, said he expected that the formalities of the constitution would be adopted, particularly regarding the nomination and election of officers. "This was the point upon which the great outcry was made last year, and it is stated that every thing is being done to avoid the slightest possibility of friction."

Bow Valley League Sleeps

Looks as if Bassano would sweep to victory in the Bow Valley League, with a single, four, on-ice opposition.

From not a single town along the line has there come a noise that sounds like hockey. No murmur from Brooks where President Evans, of the Bow Valley League lives; no sound from Strathmore where our latest information has it, there is no risk, with children, which holds the cup from last year and which should be bestirring itself more than any, is the most silent of all.

Bassano appears to be the only town with a rink, and a team, and the first practice Tuesday night showed that Bassano had sufficient material to furnish two teams.

Anxiety is increasing daily as to the formation of the Bow Valley League.

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Big Snake Case Presents Rare Features

First Time In Bassano's History That Habeas Corpus Act Has Been Re-questioned.

The Big Snake case, wherein the Indian was sentenced to six months imprisonment for annoying a white girl on the street has developed singular features.

The Indian was tried by Magistrate Dr. Hagg, and Mayor Placer. After conviction the friends of the Indian, who is related to one of the big chiefs, retained J. S. Mavor of Burne and Mavor; in consequence a writ of habeas corpus was applied for on legal grounds relative to the conviction, and yesterday Mr. Justice Stuart at Calgary, granted a summons returnable Tuesday.

The argument for his release will be conducted then by Mr. R. C. Burns, with the Crown Prosecutor on the other side.

Word has been received that A. W. Puelstrum has dropped the appeal in the case of Speedy, wherein Speedy recovered wages under the Masters and Servants Act. J. S. Mavor of Burne and Mavor, represented Speedy and the case was tried before John Morden.

Go to the rink, this, Thursday afternoon and see the Married and the Single in mighty and mortal combat. Com. Payer is accumulating all the married scoundrels, while Harvey Smith is rounding up the single rakes. Here's luck to them. Which? Both.

Winnington

James Barnett visited Richdale and Youngstown last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bough were host and hostess to a social evening at their fine home on Saturday last, among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Collins and family, Ed Caldwell, Mr. W. D. Machoy and Mr. Gordon Bartlett.

Vaughn Rice took in the dance at Mrs. Worth, Saturday on Friday last.

The weather remains remarkably mild so far but perhaps before this it is "pique."

Geo. Collins will visit Youngstown shortly.

Mr. Dawson of Bassano is a late arrival in the district and is getting up the buildings.

A dance was held in East Rimbouche on New Years Eve.

Firemen's Ball at Robinson Hall

It is the boudoir duty of every citizen of this town and of every woman who values the security of her hearth and home to turn up at the Firemen's ball tonight.

The question of adequate fire protection is of absolutely vital importance and the man unwilling to give an encouraging pat on the back to the fire department, is unworthy the name of citizen.

The Firemen are at the service of the community at any hour of the day or night; they have banded themselves together in order to safeguard property; they are public-spirited men whose one desire is to serve their fellow; and we shall be steadily disgraced, if we allow the night of the first to pass without showing them some tokens of interest and appreciation.

The members of the Fire brigade expect to see YOU there.

Constance Aiken Arrested in Calgary

Will be Tried Tuesday When Her Accusations are Disclosed

Arrested by the Calgary police Tuesday, Constance Aikens, the alleged to have relieved a Bassano man of \$230 while he was under the influence of liquor, was brought to town by Chief Clyde yesterday.

The trial has been fixed for Tuesday night next, when some startling disclosures may be made.

Barney Collison has been retained by the woman, and acting on his behalf, Mr. Mavor of Burne and Mavor, applied for and procured bail for her.

Post Office Wrestles With Unprecedented Business

Despite the cry of hard times the rush of Christmas parcels and presents, was not affected thereby.

The Bassano post office staggered under a burden, double the last year's and the expeditious way in which it was handled by the staff, Postmaster Geo. H. Travis and his assistant, Walter Morloch was little short of marvellous.

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HOW BASSANO FARED IN 1913

The year of 1913 has joined the ghosts, and Bassano is on the eve of welcoming another.

What 1914 will bring, we hardly dare venture to predict. Perhaps—and perhaps—possibly. But our hopes are high, and they might tinge our prediction. So we scan the old almanac of a year that has passed and prod it for blessings. What has it done for Bassano? The cash box has been tight, which lends additional virtue to what has been accomplished. With times abnormally hard, we have persisted in spite of that glare, and have done what?

Completed water and sewer system, that will bear comparison with any single one in Western Canada. It hasn't the capacity of the larger few—but it has more capacity than most—and can equal anything in service pressure and general up-to-date-ness. And that, in spite of the odd criticisms, ever recurrent on such jobs, we believe it has been constructed as economically and efficiently as possible, and that it reflects distinctive credit upon a conscientious 1913 Council. For \$200,000 we receive a waterworks system that will accommodate a city of more than ten thousand, giving us the freshest, coolest and purest of waters.

We have an incinerator, closely linked with the subject of public health. Just completed, it spells the abolition of the garbage pile, that nauseous addition of most Western towns and we venture to hazard that no town of Bassano's size can boast that the year 1913 brought it such a convenience.

The business section has been improved by the construction of additional blocks, the handsome mottled brick two story Yundt block, occupied by E. R. Muir, and the Walton block at the corner of Sec. ave. and Third. The residential section has been vastly improved by the erection of a large number of first class houses. The rate-payers have authorised the Council to dispose of bonds to the best advantage for the drilling of a Gas well and the creation of a hospital.

The electric light service has been greatly extended. A school inspector for the Bow Valley riding has been appointed with headquarters at Bassano.

The settlement of the C. P. R. lands has commenced with most of the Ready Made Farm colony, sold to eager beet growers from Colorado. A ferry has been put in at Finnigan's Ford, bringing the Long Butte trade closer; a bridge has been thrown across the Bow river, making Bassano easy of access to trade previously going to Cluny and Gleichen.

The six million dollar Dam of the C. P. R. has been completed, and is in process of testing.

We have more to be thankful for than appears at first glance.

Jimmy Street Gets Gash Over Left Eye

Jimmy D. Street was mugged up a little on the rink Tuesday night.

He was at the first practice, and got in the road of the descending puck. A nasty gash was created above the left eye, which required the insertion of 3 stitches. After attention he returned to the ice.

For the New Year

Light in our darkness at the depot.

The Book of Job inscribed "Greetings from the Department of Natural Resources for the earnest consideration of the Council."

Dutch George is around again after his attack of rheumatism, and he announces his intention of opening his new store in the first week of the new year.

Bank Boys Gather Round Festive Board

In keeping with a custom established last year, the members of the Union Bank House celebrated Christmas Eve convivially.

Following a splendidly prepared banquet, toasts were indulged in by C. R. Murdoch being the genial and fluent toast master.

Mayor Placer was present and responded to this toast of the Town.

Other toasts were the Banking Committee, proposed by W. J. Lawrie, and replied to by G. Maynard; Our Guests proposed by H. R. Jack and replied to by Donald Macdonald of Calgary; Our Bank House, proposed by H. Chagston and responded to by Jack Allen; Our Sweethearts, proposed by R. H. Boyd and responded to by G. H. Stevens and J. Simpson.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Yoo upon the birth of a girl which only missed Christmas by one day—born on Dec. 26, 1913.

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100 days in 1888.
Another first cousin of King Geo

citizens had defended their
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Boulogne by way of avenging ex-Pasha's wrongs?" Hobart's crim-

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Mantua, and of how bravely
citizens had defended their
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BASSANO, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1914

Long Live The Board

The Board of Trade is to be revived and re-organized.

Obliging the popular outcry, Secretary A.G. Bond has issued notices, which say "that it being the popular desire that the Board of Trade be re-organized and the year started in harmony, every citizen interested in the welfare of Bassano is invited to attend." That was the proper spirit in which to call such a meeting, and it is pleasing to note, that the constitution is to be compiled with, and that the nomination committee will be appointed, and that everything will be fair and above board.

About such an important cog in the wheel of welfare as the Board of Trade there should not be the slightest suspicion of defect. No circumstances should be so fashioned as to be capable of such interpretation, or even misinterpretation, as to appear in an unfavorable, even if only slight, to the majority of the business men. Therefore the white light of publicity is an essential of its organization, and no more should be made that is not drawn forth to the attention of the members. Only in this way can an institution of its peculiar character be a complete success.

For the year 1914, the new Board will have its hands full. With most things quiescent, information as it were through the dullness, lacking the incentive to push ahead, now is the time for Bassano to press for those advantages that will tend to take it cityward. Just for instance a few of the vital and telling subjects.

We need the post office, we need the court house, we need that ferry at Emerson in early spring, we need to consider the people who are trading with Bassano, discover what can be done for them reasonably to expedite their journey to and fro. We need an institution which taking interest in the town as a whole takes interest in the individual too. We want a common meeting place for the merchant, the broker and the dealer. Where they can discuss the matters that affect them, and solve them. We want a bureau, not an expensive and elaborate office, but a central and effective one, that has its subject, Bassano thoroughly at heart, that can talk and write it convincingly. We don't want a street railroad to be the toppler of the publicity message. We want the land through which

it might run, to be drawn to the attention of the farming public, for upon the success of these lands the success of Bassano depends, and we know of none finer for stock, grain and best growing. We may have railroads, but without settled lands of what use are they? The wholesaler won't come unless there are people, neither will the industrial. It is our part to assist the C.P.R. to every extent in our power in settling up these important lands towards the Red Deer river which will furnish for all time, the immediate territory of Bassano. There is indeed no end to the good that a conscientious Board, alive to its responsibilities can accomplish.

The "Mail" Thanks Its Friends

And one of the features of the outgoing year of which Bassano has cause to feel more than proud, was the establishment of the Bassano Mail, in its own quarters on Third Avenue.

On the verge of crossing the threshold of the New Year, it desires to pause a moment to thank those whose loyalty and friendship has enabled it to find its feet even in a time of such financial stress, and under such peculiar circumstances.

It pointed out in the beginning, three months ago, that it was content to leave its future in the hands of its friends. That confidence has been fully justified and the Mail has been launched with an impetus that has firmly established it among the journals of Alberta. Without that whole-hearted aid, it could never have floated, with it, it has attained that position of pre-eminence of which we feel justly proud.

And the management again desires to extend its thanks to its supporters and subscribers, and to promise that there will not be a falling off in the brightness of either its typography or contents.

It has ever sought to fulfil the spirit of its slogan, it has given Bassano a paper of absolute independence, and will continue this policy unaffected by changing and challenging environment. Just for instance, it fought for the re-organization of the 1913 Board of Trade, believing the best interests of the town demanded it, and behold, it is on the eve of coming to pass.

And now to draw a straight line through 1914—and keep it.

From Our Standpoint

Between Billboards and Mawson, Banff had a nervous 1913.

No more 'thirties on that letterhead. No wonder we had hard times.

If that post office doesn't hurry the architectural style in which the plans were last drawn will have gone out of fashion, and there will be excuse for more delay in re-drafting them with the latest frills.

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Blade only for above, 1.00.
Flu cutters, .40.
We will also give a discount of 10% on any article amounting to less than \$5.00, not mentioned. These prices will be in effect to Jan. 1st.
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Any person who is the sole head of a family or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in a nitela, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency, for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader. Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 20 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister. In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price \$5.00 per acre.

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Bassano Mail

Inspector of Schools for the Bow Valley riding, who arrived in Bassano last week in order to make arrangements for his permanent stay here.

Mr. LeLette, who has stated in a previous issue of the Mail, has a distinguished educational career behind him, received his appointment recently from the Provincial Government.

Mr. LeLette will take up his duties on the first of the year, and he will have under his jurisdiction all the towns along the Bow Valley, and the school districts, north and south.

Major Items

A number of Major people have gone east for the winter which accounts for things being a little quiet around here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Stephens left Tuesday Dec. 30, for Medicine Hat, Alta., where Mr. Stephens will be engaged in teaching school.

Miss Faye Hall of Queensdown will leave in a short time for Calgary, and will spend the winter with her sister.

Mr. A. A. Clemmens returned last week from Calgary with his bride, and also Mr. W. A. Fripels and his bride.

Mr. Cunningham Long has purchased a gasoline engine and feed chopper, so that the people of the district will know where to get their chopping done.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krievies Saturday morning, Dec. 30, a son.

**We Wish You
A Happy New Year**

Again the circle of time records another year past, and instinctively we turn our faces to the future with a feeling of hope that the new year may have in store for us all, only that which may be good in everything.

Reviewing the past year, we feel that we owe to you, our customers and friends, a public acknowledgement for the liberal share of patronage you have given this store. You have made it our banner year in business. That we are grateful you may be assured, and to show our appreciation, we promise all that lays within our power toward making this establishment more and more attractive to you, and larger and more complete stocks than ever before.

We don't believe in standing still—store service can always be bettered. We live and learn, and as we learn, we owe it to ourselves and to you, to put into effect such improved conditions as will make the store better in every way, as a trading place of absolute security.

We wish you and yours the Brightest,
Happiest, and Most Prosperous New Year

YOURS TRULY

E. F. PURCELL**The Bassano Bakery**

Bread Shipped to all Points

Cakes Made To Your Order

Agents for

The Robin Hood Milling Co.

**We Handle All the Good
Things You See Advertised in
the Big Magazines.**

THIS store is headquarters. You will always find here everything you would expect to find in a similar store—and many things more.

We specialize on articles of genuine merit. Articles we have tested and tried ourselves and we can recommend and endorse.

You will find here all of the good—the best—the pick—of the standard household articles advertised in magazines. We add our own guarantee to that of the manufacturer's.



We call your special attention to the O-Cedar Polish Mop, the greatest boon to cleaner and better housekeeping we know of.

With it you can dust, clean and polish a hardwood floor without getting down on your hands and knees. You can dust the tops of doors, the moulding, the tops of high furniture without standing on chairs. You can dust and clean the stair steps and banisters in half the time it usually takes.

You can dust under the bed, and under heavy furniture without moving it, and so on throughout the house—wherever there is dusting to do. You can do it quicker, easier and better with the O-Cedar Polish Mop.

Unlike other dusting mops the O-Cedar Polish Mop can be washed when soiled, and then renewed by adding a few drops of O-Cedar Polish.

We are so confident that you will be delighted with the O-Cedar Polish Mop that we will deliver one to your home on two days' trial. If it is not satisfactory in every respect we do not expect you to keep it, and will instantly return your money. The price of the O-Cedar Polish Mop, complete, is \$1.50. Let us send you one on trial.

FLANAGAN BROS., Bassano, Alta.

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All kinds of Excavating
Gravel and Sand hauling
a Specialty.

Office: Main Block, Second Avenue

Coal and Wood Always on hand.
Water Delivery.

PHONE 127

Barn: Third Avenue

THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME—A GRAND PIANO FREE!**Review of Contest**

It is inaugurated by J. H. Stiles, the popular druggist in Bassano, and for the purpose of increasing his business; it was co-operated in by the "Mail," for the sake of publicity and an increase in its circulation.

It is undertaken at considerable expense, but we believe, will be worth the while, for we anticipate great interest.

Votes count on all purchases made at J. H. Stiles, to the tune of one vote for every cent spent.

Votes count on all Job Work printed at and purchased from the "Mail" to the extent of one vote for every cent.

Votes count on all cash advertising published in the columns of the "Mail," during the life of the contest.

Votes count on all paid in advance, and renewal subscriptions. These are the plums for each subscription counts 3000 votes; although it only costs one dollar. The intention of this is to give the candidate in the country, who cannot get into town and the drug store very often, an equal chance with her town competitor. A few subscriptions netted means a big jump ahead.

☐ Come to the "Mail" office and buy your coupon that can be used any time in advertising or job work, and which carries votes when purchased and votes when traded.

**YOURS FOR THE ASKING
PLUS A LITTLE ENERGY**

J. H. Stiles, the druggist has arranged with the Mail to co-operate with him in presenting you with this handsome instrument.

See paragraph of instructions below and find out exactly what you have to do, and if there is any misty point see Stiles and he will explain it.

THIS PIANO IS A MAGNIFICENT UPTON GRAND

Contest Open Mon. Nov. 24



Contest Closes Eve. May 23

Description of Piano

The piano has 7 1/3 octaves, repeating action, three pedals, full iron frame covering wrest plank, and built up pin block of five different layers of hard maple, direction of grain alternating in successive layers to prevent to the greatest possible extent, the Piano getting out of tune.

The three strings in unison with over string bass, splendidly pitched scale and excellent sounding board, produces the rich, deep, even tone peculiar to the Upton Piano, and so much striven for by manufacturers of high-class instruments. The brackets, pedal guards, hammer rail, and continuous hinges are all heavily nickel-plated. The case itself is highly polished, making a first-class artistic instrument in finish, appearance and tone.

By comparison this Piano will be found better, heavier and more artistic than most pianos on the market today. Each instrument is fully warranted.

Manufacturers' Warranty

The above Piano is warranted to give perfect satisfaction for a period of ten years, provided it is not exposed to extremes of heat, cold, wet, or dampness.

Rules of the Game

1. Name of contestant will not be known.
2. Name of contestant will not be published.
3. Every contestant is credited with 2000 votes to start with.
4. Every contestant gets a number.
5. Standing of contestants' number published weekly.
6. All votes must be brought in for recording on Wednesday.
7. Votes must not be written upon.
8. Tie votes in packages with the contestant's number and the amount on top slip only.
9. Color of votes will change and must be recorded weekly.
10. Votes are transferable only before recording.
11. Contestant having the largest amount of votes on May 23, wins the Piano.
12. Contestants not bringing in personal votes will be dropped.

**Be Sure and Ask for Your Piano
Votes With Every Purchase.**

☐ Cut out this coupon and present it at J. H. Stiles' Store, and he will exchange it for twenty-five votes in the \$400 Piano Contest.

The Social Circle

Mr. T. R. Buckham of Edmonton, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stiles.

Mr. Jack Hood, of Edmonton, formerly of Bassano was receiving excellent care in town this week.

Geo. Stevens, of Edmonton was visiting friends in Bassano last week.

Mr. Sanderson, of the Union Bank, spent Xmas day in Brook.

Among the Bassano visitors at Brooks last week were Mr. E. F. Jurell and Mr. W. McKenna.

Mr. E. R. Muir, Mr. and Mrs. McCollough of Bassano, spent Xmas at the Hat.

Hugh Clouston of the Bassano Trading Co., has left Bassano for London, Ont., amid the general regrets of his numerous friends.

Donald Deedonaki, of the Quebec Bank Calgary, was looking up his old colleagues in Bassano this week.

Mrs. A. A. McKee spent several days in Calgary last week.

Bailiff's Sale

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A CERTAIN CHATTEL MORTGAGE, dated September 29, 1914, as number C 26450, we have seized and taken possession of the goods (in chattel mentioned in the chattel mortgage) which I will offer for sale by public auction at the offices of James Brothers, Dooner and Hughes, in the Town of Bassano, Alberta, on Saturday the 17th of January, A. D. 1914 at 10:30 a. m.

Among the goods seized are the following articles:

THREE (3) Portable homes.

TWO (2) Cook stoves and cooking outfit.

THREE (3) Tents.

THREE (3) Hand coveys to suiters.

Whecharrons.

Shovels, etcetera.

Water tank.

Miscellaneous lumber and base connections and a quantity of other goods belonging to ditch contractor's outfit.

T. Gibbons
BAILIFF

The Bassano Time Table

GOING WEST
No. 915..... 9:57 o'clock.
No. 3..... 12:11 o'clock.
No. 13..... 2:25 o'clock.
GOING EAST
No. 4..... 17:31 o'clock.
No. 316 arrive 19:30 dep. 20:00.
No. 14..... 1:10 o'clock.

IBRICANA LOCAL
Leaves Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5:00 a. m.
Arrives Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 17:30.

HUTTON STAGE
For Hutton, Favor, Ross Lynn, Sunny Nook and Stopping; Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:00 a. m.

We extend to our friends and patrons, best wishes for

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year
Thanking you for past favors, and anticipating a good share of your patronage in 1914.

HENDRY & JOHNSTON
"THE QUALITY STORE"

Heard on the Street

The only shadow as we drive into the town. Two—the illustration of the moon system by the light etc.

On Sunday last the majority of the younger element of the town, enjoyed skating at the rink, through kindness of Oscar Gulet and Sunny Alberta weather.

Mr. W. S. Playfair, in pursuit of his engraving hobby spent a part of his Christmas vacation with those interested making a tour of inspection of the Parks and School district.

A. C. C. D. request. Will all those who took out books from the late library and through oversight, omitted to return them, kindly forward them to Harvey Smith, of Shaw and Smith, as the original owners are clamoring for their due. The request is only fair, and all those having such books, should do their utmost to see to their return.

The Flower Guild of the Church of England wish to make known that flowers will not be put in the church during the cold weather as they are not satisfactory. The Guild wish to thank those who have so cheerfully given to their fund and hope to call on them again in the spring.

On Christmas Day Pat Quick Lench gave an elegant dinner, equal to any first class hotel, the special Menu being filled with every thing available to make a first class spread. Dinner was served from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m., and the place was crowded.
Money wasn't any good at Pat's on Christmas day.

Miscellaneous

Read this column carefully. There may be something you want in it, and you get it at bargain prices.

FOURND—Eastern Star Branch, apply Mail Office or Bassano Trading Co'y.

FOR RENT—Two second House. Reasonable Rental. Apply T. Frank Davis, Bassano.

FOR SALE—SNAP

Lot 11, Block 20. Price \$400. 1/2 cash, balance in 3 years. Apply to D. C. Macfarland, 214 9th Ave West, Calgary.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the under signed will not be responsible for any goods delivered to his employees without written authority.

J. McKinery.
General contractor.

FIRE ALARM CALLS.

Ward 1 (West of 4th St. and south of 4th Ave.)—Five bells, pause, then five more, etc.

Ward 2 (West of Fourth St. and north of Fourth Ave.)—Six bells.

Ward 3 (East of Fourth St. and North of 4th Ave.)—Seven bells.

Ward 4 (East of Fourth St. and North of Fourth Ave.)—Eight bells.

Practice Alarm—Three bells.

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It's the champion all-purpose brand.

Western Canada Flour Mills Company, Limited



PHONE #1

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Bassano Tinsmithing & Plumbing Co.

Wish to announce that they have installed a skate grinding machine and guarantee a first class job

Be sure and call us for Plumbing and Repairing

R. C. Thompson - - - Manager

The Bassano Meat Market

C. H. PADLEY, Proprietor.

Wholesale and Retail Butchers

Will keep constantly on hand—All kinds of Fresh and Salt Meat—Oysters and Fish in season

Special attention paid to waiting on Children

CASH PAID FOR HIDES, PELTS and FURS.

Shop next door to McKee's Fruit Store

Telephone 140

TO THOSE IN THE PIANO RACE

To add incentive and impetus to the contest for the handsome Upton Piano, being given away by J. H. Stiles, we beg to announce that we have made provision for the issuing of a series of Due Bills, which carry votes when bought and votes when traded.

We have printed a neat certificate, of fifty cent denomination, which when purchased will give the contestant five hundred votes.

It can be made to apply later either in the purchase of subscriptions, job printing or advertising, and will carry a further five hundred votes when so traded in. In reference to subscriptions it means that each subscription of one year, will be worth 4000 votes.

There is no limit to the due bills, candidates or their friends may purchase.

The standing below shows that the contest is beginning to awaken widespread interest as we predicted, and it behoves everyone to put all their energy into the struggle.

**STANDING
OF CONTESTANTS
FOURTH WEEK**

NO.	VOTES	NO.	VOTES
1.	8,545	24.	124,465
38.	10,965	40.	11,435
44.	76,384	47.	115,470
49.	6,685	55.	49,705
56.	12,065	58.	8,245
64.	11,785	68.	14,585
75.	13,855	80.	6,595
84.	8,435	88.	8,885
90.	5,135	91.	2,120

See your friends and get them to purchase Due Bills from the "Mail" in anticipation of the printing stationery they will be needing soon.

The subscription getter is the one who is the factor in this contest. You can procure Due Bills that will apply on subscription and are invaluable for votes.